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| <b>Search Notes</b><br><br> | <b>Application/Control No.</b><br><br>10553585 | <b>Applicant(s)/Patent Under Reexamination</b><br><br>FOOTE ET AL. |
|  | <b>Examiner</b><br><br>GARY W COUNTS           | <b>Art Unit</b><br><br>1641  |

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| Discussion Gailene Gabel, Primary A.U. 1641 concerning the recitation "as small as 9 picograms per milliliter of blood" as being vague and indefinite and also as being new matter. Discussed maintaining Zoghbi et al reference as 102 based on the teachings of Table 1 and Example 7 of Zoghbi. Also, discussed "wherein" clause as not providing any positive steps and thus not given patentable weight. | 01/26/09 | gc       |
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| Discussion with Melanie Yu, Primary 1641 concerning the disclosure of Zoghbi et al particularly Table 1 and example 7 as showing a comparison of pre and post exercises BNP levels and diagnosing. Agreed to maintain 102 rejection based on Zoghbi et al.  | 12/09/09 | gc       |
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| Discussion with Gailene Gabel, Primary 1641 concerning Zoghbi et al specifically showing absolute values within the same group of patients and obvious to do in an individual. Agreed should do a stand alone 103 with Zoghbi et al.  | 08/11/10 | gc       |
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